

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SUBJECT: **SHARED SERVICE AREA FOR CALIFORNIA  
HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, GOOD  
SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, AND ST. VINCENT  
MEDICAL CENTER**

(EMT, PARAMEDIC, MICN)  
REFERENCE NO. 509.2

PURPOSE: To provide guidelines for determining appropriate patient destination for the shared service area for California Hospital Medical Center (CAL), Good Samaritan Hospital (GSH), and St. Vincent Medical Center (SVH).

POLICY:

I. Geographic Boundaries:

- A. **Northern Boundary:** Beverly Boulevard to 101 Freeway
- B. **Southern Boundary:** Florence Avenue
- C. **Eastern Boundary:** Broadway Boulevard to W. Temple Street
- D. **Western Boundary:** Western Avenue to Beverly Boulevard

II. Patients from incident locations within the shared service area shall be transported to most accessible hospital within the shared service area (CAL, GSH, or SVH).

III. If any of the three hospitals have requested diversion due to ED Saturation, patients shall be transported to the most accessible hospital within the service area that has not requested diversion. If all three hospitals have requested diversion due to ED Saturation, patients shall be transported to the most accessible hospital, regardless of service area boundaries.

IV. Patients meeting specialty center guidelines or criteria shall be transported to the most accessible applicable specialty center, regardless of service area boundaries.

CROSS REFERENCE:

Prehospital Care Policy Manual:

Ref. No. 509, **Service Area Hospital**

Ref. No. 509.2a, **Service Area Map for California Hospital Medical Center and Good Samaritan Hospital California Hospital Medical Center (CAL), Good Samaritan Hospital (GSH), and St. Vincent Medical Center (SVH)**

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